

James Quayle Defends His Son

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James Quayle, father of the Vice President, used his speech before the AIM crowd to rip the media for portraying his son as a "skirt-chasing golf nut who flunked out of school and burned his draft card."

During the campaign, he said, the media became "carriers of Parkinson's disease" when NBC commentator John Chancellor and others dredged up the old "scandal" about Dan Quayle's alleged sexual relationship with lobbyist Paula

Parkinson. There was never anything to those allegations, he pointed out.

Quayle noted that Gail Sheehy had written an unusual article charging that the Vice President was a "product" of his father. James Quayle, after joking about the matter with his wife, pleaded guilty to this.

Otherwise, he said, the critical article about his son was "one big pile of Sheehy."

Sophia Casey, widow of the late CIA director, blasted Bob Woodward of the Washington Post for two specific "lies" — that he had a death-bed interview with her husband after his brain surgery, and that the CIA had a role in a car bombing in Beirut that killed 80 people which prompted the retaliatory hijacking of TWA flight 847 and the murder of Navy diver Robert Stethem.

Leo Damore, author of *Senatorial Privilege*, described how his book about Chappaquiddick received virtually no coverage from the "elitist media" and was subsequently labeled by the *Wall Street Journal* as "the best-seller you have never read about."

Roy Innis, director of the New York-based Congress of Racial Equality, detailed how the media censor the views of black conservatives, highlight white-on-black crime (but not the other way around), and give extravagant attention to radicals such as Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton.

After the speeches, the "retromingent vigilante" awards were handed out. They are named after a 1978 letter *Washington Post* Executive Editor Benjamin C. Bradlee had sent to AIM Chairman Irvine.

In the letter to Irvine, Bradlee said, "You have revealed yourself as a miserable, carping, retromingent vigilante, and I for one am sick of wasting my time in communication with you."

In a toast to Irvine, AIM President Murray Baron said, "We have made unforgiving enemies and we're proud of it."

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